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In re Patent Application of: WESTON
Serial No.: Not yet assigned
Filed: April 4, 2001
Title: SPATIAL VIDEO PROCESSING

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Please amend the application as follows prior to calculation of the filing fees.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Before the first paragraph on page 1 insert the following new paragraph.

This application claims the benefit of GB Application No. 0008402.0 filed on April 5, 2000, which application discloses the same subject matter described herein.

IN THE CLAIMS

Substitute the following claims for the corresponding numbered claims in the application.

3. (Amended) Apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein the set consists of three spatial filter apertures.

7. (New) Apparatus according to Claim 2, wherein the set consists of three spatial filter apertures.

REMARKS

The Applicant respectfully requests consideration of this preliminary amendment.

The claims have been amended to remove multiple dependent claims and to conform to U.S. Patent Office practice. Please enter this amendment before calculating the filing fees. This amendment also adds a statement concerning a priority claim as required by 35 U.S.C. § 119 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.78. No new matter is added by way of the present amendment.

The Applicant kindly requests that the Examiner telephone the attorneys of record in the event a telephone discussion would be helpful in advancing the prosecution of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,



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Version with markings to show changes made

In the Claims:

3. (Amended) Apparatus according to Claim 1 [or Claim 2], wherein the set consists of three spatial filter apertures.